

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 39, line 24, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Reactive monomer mix contained 20% D_3O D3O (3,7-dimethyl-3-octanol or tetrahydrolinalool) as diluent.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 39, line 32, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Since reactive monomer mix is 20% D_3O D3O, the upper limit on silver content per gram of lenses $\Rightarrow 0.00343 \text{ g} / 0.8 = 0.00429 \text{ g}$

Please replace the lines at page 15, line 14-15, with the following rewritten lines:

SimmaSiMMA 2 = 3-methacryloxy-2-(hydroxypropyloxy)propylbis
(trimethylsiloxy)methylsilane

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 40, line 28, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Sodium Iodide (7.3 mg, Aldrich) was added to a hydrogel blend made from the following (all amounts were calculated as weight percent of the total weight of the combination): 17.98% Macromer 5, 28.0% mPDMS, 14.0% TRIS, 26.0% DMA, 5.0% HEMA, 1.0% TEGDMA, 5.0% PVP, 2.0% Norbloc, 1.0% CGI 1850 and 0.02% Blue HEMA, 80 weight percent of the preceding component mixture was further diluted with diluent, 20 weight percent of D3O (hereinafter " D_3O D3O Monomer Blend"). The mixture was sonicated for 1.5 hours at 30°C, and then stored in a heated oven @ 55°C overnight. The monomer mix was degassed under vacuum for 30 minutes, and used to make lenses, utilizing Topas frames at 50-55°C under Philips TL03 lamps with 30 minutes of irradiation.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 43, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Tetrabutylammonium bromide (20.3 mg, Fluka) was added to 15.0 g of D_3O D3O Monomer Blend. The mixture was sonicated for 2 hours. The monomer mix was

degassed under vacuum for 5 minutes, and used to make lenses, utilizing Topas frames at 50°C under Philips TL03 lamps with 30 minutes of irradiation.